REMARKS

Claims 10 – 14 and 18 – 22 were previously withdrawn and are now marked cancelled as requested in the Office Action. Claims 1 – 9 and 15 - 17 are pending in this Application. No amendments have been made. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102

Claims 1 – 5 and 15 – 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Simpson et al. (PGPUB no. US 2004/0073632). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

The Applicants' exemplary claim 1 claims a method for configuring and dynamically adapting an application sharing system. The method comprises the step of monitoring a feedback generated by the one of the system components. Claim 15 similarly recites feedback generated by one of the software components.

The Office Action suggests that the step of "monitoring a feedback generated by one of the system components", as the applicant has claimed, is taught in Simpson at page 4 paragraph 49, "noted that the Unix system automatically creates and stores a target image". The Applicants assert that a system that automatically performs an act is not monitoring a feedback. Simpson therefore fails to teach or suggest the Applicant's claimed step of "monitoring a feedback generated by one of the system components". The Applicants therefore assert that Claims 1 – 5 and 15 – 16 are not anticipated by Simpson and are allowable.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 103

Claims 1 – 5, 9, and 15 – 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Popa (US Patent no. 6,006,231) in view of Bertram et al. (PGPUB: US 2002/0156884). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

As the Office Action points out, Popa does not explicitly teach a method of generating a feedback by the one of the system components. Therefore, Popa fails to teach or suggest a method including the claimed step of "configuring one of the system components in response to the determined preference and the monitored feedback", as the Applicants have claimed. Bertram teaches performance monitoring. CPU performance is monitored and displayed. There is no suggestion in Bertram that the monitoring should be fed back to the system for configuration of a component. Thus Popa and Bertram, taken alone or in any combination, fail to teach or suggest the Applicants' claimed step of configuring one of the system components in response to the determined preference and the monitored feedback. The Applicants respectfully assert that Claim 1 and its dependent claims 2 – 5 and 9 are now in condition for allowance. Independent Claim 15 contains limitations similar to those of Claim 1. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully assert that claims 15 and 16 are also in condition for allowance.

Claims 6 – 8 and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Popa in view of Bertram and further in view of Boston et al. (Publication no. US 2004/0101272A1). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 6 – 8 depend on Claim 1. Claim 17 depends on Claim 15. Popa and Bertram fail to teach or suggest the claimed feedback requirements of Claims 1 and 15. Boston adds nothing further to solve the deficiencies of Popa and Bertram. Thus Popa, Bertram, and Boston, taken together or in part, fail to teach or suggest the applicant's claimed invention as set forth in claims

1 – 9 and 15 – 17. The Applicants therefore respectfully assert that claims 1 – 9 and 15 – 17 are in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and arguments made herein, Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance and request early favorable action by the Examiner.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conversation with the Applicants' representative would expedite allowance of this application, the Examiner is cordially invited to call the undersigned at (508) 303-2003, or at the undersigned's cell, (617) 901-6786.

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